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**MINUTES OF THE ROCKVILLE
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MEETING NO. 9-2017
Thursday, October 19, 2017**

The City of Rockville Historic District Commission convened
in the Blue Crab Conference Room on
October 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Rob Achtmeyer, Chair
Emily Correll
Matthew Goguen
Anita Neal Powell

Present: Sheila Bashiri, Preservation Planner
Jim Wasilak, Chief of Zoning
Cindy Walters, Assistant City Attorney

I. AGENDA REVIEW WORKSESSION (Blue Crab Conference Room)

Chair Achtmeyer noted that the agenda review worksession occurred and that no decisions were made, and also introduced commissioners and staff members present.

II. COMMITTEE / ORGANIZATION REPORTS (Mayor and Council Chamber)

- A. Peerless Rockville – Nancy Pickard, Executive Director Thanked everyone who attended the public meeting on the Historic Resource Management Plan (HRMP). She reported on recent and upcoming activities of Peerless Rockville, including the presentation by John Carter on Rockville farms and neighborhoods on October 12, and the presentation by Tony Cohen of the Menare Foundation on the Underground Railroad to be held on October 25 at the Rockville Library. She also announced the community day on October 28 at Haiti Cemetery, as well as the Peerless Rockville Awards on November 3 at Glenview Mansion.
- B. Lincoln Park Historical Foundation – No report.
- C. Public Comments/Open Forum – No members of the public spoke.
- D. HDC and Staff Comments – Commissioner Correll announced the new Montgomery History exhibit Boom!, which is focused on Montgomery County in the 1950s. Chair Achtmeyer commended staff and the consultants on the HRMP meeting, stating that it was very informative and well-needed. Sheila Bashiri noted the HRMP web page that allows for input to the Plan, the ability to read the current Plan and sign up for future updates. She encouraged anyone to call her if they have questions.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 28, 2017

- B. CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL HDC2018-00870, Daniel Nyquist** – for an amendment to previously approved Certificate of Approval HDC2017-00813, to apply a parged finish and paint the garage wall at 17 Martins Lane.
- C. CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL HDC2018-00871, Daniel Nyquist** – for an amendment to previously approved Certificate of Approval HDC2017-00863 to more the rear enclosed deck approximately 3.5 feet.

Commissioner Correll moved, seconded by Commissioner Neal Powell, to approve the consent agenda, with the draft minutes as revised. The motion passed 4-0.

IV. COURTESY REVIEW

- A. HDC2018-00872, Craig Moloney for Kalpna Randadive** – for courtesy review of a rear addition to the Rockville Academy building at 103 South Adams Street. *Prior to the meeting, the applicant requested that this application not be considered, and withdrew the application.*

V. CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

- A. Certificate of Approval HDC2018-00873, Christine Henry for Mayor and Council of Rockville** – for an amendment to previously approved Certificate of Approval HDC2016-00779, allowing renovation of the King Farm dairy barns. The amendment proposes to changes to the standing seam metal roof, including the addition of snow guards, to reconstruct the silo connectors and add Plexiglas to protect the reconstructed windows.

Ms. Bashiri, presented the staff report and recommendation, which was for approval.

Christine Henry explained the reason for the requested amendments. The Commission discussed each element of the amendment separately.

Commissioner Correll moved, seconded by Commissioner Goguen, to approve Certificate of Approval HDC2018-00873, as presented in the staff report having been found to meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards Nos. 6 and 9. The motion passed 4-0.

VI. DISCUSSION

A. Old Business

- a. Update of Draft Historic Preservation Text Amendment** – Jim Wasilak noted that, due to the Mayor and Council's meeting schedule and full agendas, the text amendment is on hold but he expects that it will be on the agenda beginning in January. Staff is taking the opportunity to further review the draft.
- b. Historic Resources Management Plan** – Ms. Bashiri noted that the public meeting went well and was well-attended. She encouraged members of the public to let the City know what is important for preservation. Chair Achtmeyer echoed those suggestions.

B. New Business

- a. HDC Chair Election in December** – Chair Achtmeyer noted that he would like to cycle the chair position this time.
- b. 2018 HDC Meeting Calendar** – Ms. Bashiri and Chair Achtmeyer encouraged commissioners to consult their calendars so the HDC calendar may be adopted in December.

VII. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair Achtmeyer adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.